Violation of Labour Laws in Bhimtal Region

726. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that factory owners in the Bhimtal region of Nainital district are violating the labour laws by employing workers as 'Trainees' without getting the training programme approved by the Labour department and not paying the wages prescribed under the minimum wages act;

(b) if so, whether Eureka Forbes Limited is one of such factory indulging in unfair labour practices and exploiting the employees;

(c) whether Ms. Eureka Forbes also harass the employees who leave their jobs by not clearing their dues; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken by Government against such factory owners?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SING GHATOWAR): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

FAO Project for Policy Formulation

727. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM; Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are implementing an FAO Project for analysing form level data to provide inputs for policy formulation;

(b) what are the other FAO assisted projects under operation;

(c) whether Government nominate Indian and foreign experts to work on such projects; and

(d) what is the procedure of their selection and various other terms related to such appointments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN); (a) Yes, Sir. A Technical Cooperation programme project (TCP) titled "policy Analysis using Farm Level Data" signed between Government of India and the FAO on 14.11.1990 is currently under implementation.

(b) A list of other FAO assisted TCP projects under operation is annexed at Statement (See below)

(c) and (d) The proposals for nomination of foreign experts to work on TCP projects etc. are received from FAO.

Government of India scrutinises the nominations in consultation with the implementing agency. Experts are selected based on the requirements of the project and their technical suitability judged from their qualification and experience in the respective field. With regard to ap~ pointment of National Experts, Government of India nominates suitable experts, on the basis of the recommendations of implementing agencies. The terms for appointments are normally specified in the project agreement.

Statement

List of TCP Projects under operation

Sl.No.	Name of Project	Date of signing
1	Review of the Meat industries Sector and Related Activities	08-08-89
2	Food Quality Control	22-09-89
3	Survey of Supply and Demand Prospects for Fresh water Farmed Fish and Low-value Marine Species	29-12-89
4	Long term Policy Strategie for Vegetable Oils	17-01-90
5	Plant Breeders' Rights	30-04-90
6	Wildlife Protected Area Buffer Zone Management	14-11-90

Expansion of Railway Network in Vidharba, Maharashtra

728. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE; Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the plans for expansion of railway network in the Vidharba region of Maharashtra.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): The surveys for Amravati-Narkher new BG line and conversion of Jabalpur-Gondia-Chandrapur NG to BG have been taken up.

Further action will depend on results of the survey and availability of resources in the coming years.

Movement of Offices out of Delhi

729. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

KUMARI SAYEEDA KHATUN;

SHRI KAPIL VERMA;

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Offices of Central Government and Public Sector Undertakings have been asked to move out of Delhi to other towns in the National Capital Region to bring about decongestion in the National Capital;

(b) if so, how many of them have moved out so far;

(c) if not, what are the reasons for not moving out of Delhi; and

(d) what steps are being taken to move them out?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir as per details given in the Statement. (See below).

(d) Individual Government offices have been advised suitably from time to time to expedite shifting. It is expected that most of the offices will shift on acquisition of land/completion of their office buildings at respective places. Minister 'of Urban Development took up with concerned Ministries in May, 91 for shifting of offices of Public Sector Undertaking*..